

*24.* The composition of Claim *21* wherein the alkanoic acid is octanoic acid, decanoic acid, dodecanoic acid, or tetradecanoic acid.

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*25.* The method of Claim *22* wherein the alkanoic acid is octanoic acid, decanoic acid, dodecanoic acid, or tetradecanoic acid.

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REMARKS

This application is directed to the  $C_{2-20}$  alkanoic acid esters of 3-[2-[4-(6-fluoro-1,2-benzisoxazol-3-yl)-1-piperidinyl]ethyl]-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-9-hydroxy-2-methyl-4H-pyrido[1,2-a]pyrimidin-4-one, to pharmaceutical compositions containing the same, and to a method of treating warm-blooded mammals suffering from psychotic diseases by administering the same. The claimed compounds are the  $C_{2-20}$  alkanoic acid esters of 9-hydroxyrisperidone, that is, those compounds of Formula (I) wherein  $R^1$  = 6-fluoro,  $R^2$  = 2-methyl,  $R^3 = R^4-C(=O)O-$  wherein  $R^4 = C_{1-19}$  alkyl, and Alk = ethanediyl. The sub-generic claims are directed to the compounds, composition and method-of-use wherein the alkanoic acid is octanoic acid, decanoic acid, dodecanoic acid, or tetradecanoic acid, as recited in original Claims 5, 11 and 17.

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Early favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

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